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MEMORANDUM BY THE UNITED STATES DELEGATIONConcerningPOLISH NEEDS FOR INTERNAL GRINDING MACHINES

Reference: Documents 3261, 3342, 3388, 3390.

On February 5 the United States delegation informed the Committee that the results of a United States survey of the Polish civilian requirements for internal grinding machines would be made available to the Committee at an early date. The United States study was made in terms of the end-product of the grinding machines in question, i.e. nozzles, and the principal elements of this survey are outlined below.

During 1958 Poland imported 140,000 nozzles for use in trucks, busses, and tractors that are now in operation. Polish civilian consumption of nozzles, however, is expected to increase since the Poles are in the process of converting engines in various kinds of machinery to diesel types which require nozzles. Included in this conversion are a considerable number of motors for agricultural and garden tractors. In addition, conversion to diesel engines is taking place in star type and 8-ton trucks, narrow gauge and other types of railway engines, and fishing boats.

As a result of her increasing civilian consumption of nozzles, Poland is attempting to produce 91,000 nozzles domestically during 1959 and 150,000 during 1960. To fulfill these production goals Poland has placed orders in Western countries for grinding machines. After studying Poland's present and projected civilian consumption of nozzles, the United States came to the conclusion that the machines involved in the Italian, German and United States exception requests (COCOM Documents 3261, 3342, and 3390) were reasonable and necessary to meet current Polish civilian requirements.

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